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SUBJECT: ITALIAN PRIOR DEPOSIT PROGRAM: SHIPPING LINES - RECENT
DEVELOPMENTS

REF: ROME 16360 AND PREVIOUS

PASS TREASURY AND COMMERCE

1. ON OCTOBER 13, EMBOFF RECEIVED CALL FROM OFFICIAL IN
FOREIGN EXCHANGE DIRECTOATE OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE
CONCERNING SHIPPING AND AIRLINE QUESTION. OFFICIAL CALLED
TO INFORM EMBASSY THAT ALTHOUGH MINISTERIAL DECREE WHICH
EXTENDS AND PROVIDES FOR PHASEOUT OF PRIOR DEPOSIT MAKES NO
MENTION OF CREATING EXEMPTION FOR SHIPPING AND AIRLINES, GOI
INTENDS TO CREATE SUCH AN EXEMPTION THROUGH SOME ADMINIS-
TRATIVE PROCEDURE. THIS MEASURE MIGHT BE TAKEN AS SOON AS
WEEK OF OCTOBER 18-22. COMMENT: IN VIEW OF PAST HISTORY OF
VACILLATION BY GOI ON THIS MATTER, EMBASSY IS SOMEWHAT
SKEPTICAL OF OFFICIAL'S ASSURANCES, BUT WILL KEEP WASHINGTON
AGENCIES INFORMED PROMPTLY OF ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENT.

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2. EMIN RAISED SUBJECT WITH AMBASSADOR MONDELLO, DG FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY, AT SOCIAL OCCASION OCT. 14. MONDELLO DID NOT DIRECTLY ADDRESS QUESTION OF WHETHER GOI MIGHT BE PREPARED TO TAKE ACTION TO AVOID WITHDRAWAL OF WAIVERS AS OF NOVEMBER 3, BUT RATHER ASSERTED THAT MATTER WAS BASICALLY IN HANDS OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE, TO WHICH HE HAD PASSED THE ISSUE FOLLOWING OUR REPRESENTATIONS OF SEPT. 14 (ROME 15019). MONDELLO WAS NOT AWARE OF INITIATIVE REPORTED PARA 1 ABOVE. ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT MAKE DIRECT LINK WITH ISSUE OF WAIVER REVOCATION, MONDELLO DID MENTION SCHEDULED PHASE-OUT OF PRIOR DEPOSIT PROGRAM OVER NEXT SIX MONTHS. VOLPE

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